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SUBJECT: GEOCEIVER SUPPORT TO AUSTRALIA FOR INDONESIA

GEODETIC SURVEY

REF : STATE 238579

1. EMBASSY HAS NO OBJECTION TO LOAN OF GEOCEIVERS AND TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT (APRIL - SEPTEMBER 1974 OR THEREABOUTS) OF US TECHNICIAN TO AUSTRALIAN SURVEY TEAM IN INDONESIA TO ACCOMPLISH INDONESIAN AND AUSTRALIAN 1974 SURVEY OBJECTIVES.

2. AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, PROJECTED SURVEY IS AN INDONESIAN-AUSTRALIAN OPERATION, IN WHICH US PARTICIPATION WOULD BE LIMITED TO LOAN OF EQUIPMENT AND ONE TECHNICIAN IN RETURN FOR WHICH WE HOPEFULLY WILL RECEIVE COPIES OF GEODETIC DATA DERIVED.

3. WE THUS FIND IT INAPPROPRIATE, AND BELIEVE GOI WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY IN UNDERSTANDING A DEMARCHE BY US EMBASSY ASKING FOR GOI APPROVAL OF A REVISION OF INDONESIAN-AUSTRALIAN SURVEY ARRANGEMENT TO PERMIT AUSTRALIA TO

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RELEASE DOPPLER GEODETIC DATA RESULTS TO USG. MORE

NORMAL CHANNEL WOULD SEEM TO BE FOR GOA TO EXPLAIN TO GOI NECESSITY FOR LOAN OF US EQUIPMENT TO ACCOMPLISH AUSTRALIAN-INDONESIAN OBJECTIVES COUPLED WITH A REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO RELEASE COPIES OF DATA OBTAINED TO USG. OUR VIEW THAT GOA SHOULD INITIATE TALKS WITH GOI IS REINFORCED BY HISTORY OF EARLIER PROPOSED AGREEMENTS INVOLVING AUSTRALIA, INDONESIA AND US IN WHICH AUSTRALIA'S EXPRESSED INTEREST COOLED RATHER SUDDENLY. WE WOULD NOT WANT TO FIND OURSELVES TELLING THE GOI THAT THE GOA WANTED TO DEAL US INTO THE NOW PROPOSED INFORMAL ARRANGEMENT, ONLY TO FIND THE GOA HAD CHANGED ITS MIND IN THE INTERIM.

4. AFTER BASIC UNDERSTANDING ACHIEVED BETWEEN GOA AND GOI, WE WOULD THEN HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR ENTRY OF ONE US CIVILIAN TECHNICIAN TO UNDERTAKE WORK ALREADY AGREED UPON BY TWO PARTIES TO SURVEY.

5. PLEASE ADVISE.
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